IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE; NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION,)	No. 2:12-md-02323 – AB MDL NO. 2323
Second Amended Master Administrative Long-Form Complaint Against Riddell Defendants and (if applicable) v. National Football League [et al.], No. 2:13-cv-04231-AB))))))))	SHORT FORM COMPLAINT IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

SHORT FORM COMPLAINT AGAINST RIDDELL DEFENDANTS

1. Plaintiff(s) <u>Robert Griffith</u> bring(s) this civil action as a related action in the matter entitled IN RE: NATIONAL

FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION, MDL No. 2323.

- 2. Plaintiff(s) are filing this Short Form Complaint against Riddell Defendants as required by this Court's Case Management Order ECF No. 7709, filed **11/30/2017**.
- 3. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse) continue to maintain claims against Riddell Defendants after a Class Action Settlement was entered into between the NFL Defendants and certain Plaintiffs.
- 4. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse) incorporate by reference the allegations (as designated below) of the Second Amended Master Administrative Long-Form Complaint Against Riddell Defendants, as is fully set forth at length in this Short Form

Complaint. However, Plaintiff denies that there is federal subject matter jurisdiction over this action.

	5.	Plaintiff is filing this case in a representative capacity as the		
		of	having been duly appointed as	
the		by	the Court of	

- 6. Plaintiff, <u>Robert Griffith</u> is a resident and citizen of <u>California</u> and claims damages as set forth below.
- 7. Upon information and belief, the Plaintiff sustained repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts during NFL games and/or practices. Upon information and belief, Plaintiff suffers from symptoms of brain injury caused by the repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts the Plaintiff sustained during NFL games and/or practices. Upon information and belief, the Plaintiff's symptoms arise from injuries that are latent and have developed and continue to develop over time.
- 8. The original complaint by Plaintiffs in this matter was filed in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles on <u>11/30/2017</u>. If the case is remanded, it should be remanded to the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles.
 - 9. Plaintiffs claim damages as a result of [check all that apply]:
 - ☐ Injury to Herself/Himself

	Injury to the Person Represented				
	Wrongful Death				
	Survivorship Action				
	Economic Loss				
10. Plai	ntiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse) bring this case against the following				
Defendants in this action [check all that apply]:					
\boxtimes	Riddell, Inc.				
\boxtimes	Riddell Sports Group, Inc.				
\boxtimes	All American Sports Corp.				
\boxtimes	BRG Sports, Inc., f/k/a Easton-Bell Sports, Inc.				
\boxtimes	BRG Sports, LLC f/k/a Easton Bell Sports, LLC				
\boxtimes	EB Sports Corp.				
	BRG Sports Holdings Corp., f/k/a RBG Holdings Corp.				
11. The	Plaintiff wore one or more helmets designed and/or manufactured by the				
Riddell Defendants d	uring one or more years Plaintiff played in the NFL and/or AFL.				
12. Plai	ntiff played in \boxtimes the National Football League ("NFL") and/or in \square the				
American Football Le	eague ("AFL") during the following period of time 1994-2006 for the				
following teams:					
Minnesota Vikings, C	Cleveland Browns, Arizona Cardinals.				
13. Pla	intiff retired from playing professional football after the 2006				
season.					

CAUSES OF ACTION

14.	Plai	ntiffs herein adopt by reference the following Counts of the Second
Amended Master	Adı	ministrative Long-Form Complaint, along with the factual allegations
incorporated by r	efere	ence in those Counts [check all that apply]:
	\boxtimes	Count I (Negligence)
		Count II (Negligent Marketing)
		Count III (Negligent Misrepresentation)
		Count IV (Fraud)
	\boxtimes	Count V (Strict Liability/Design Defect)
	\boxtimes	Count VI (Failure to Warn)
		Count VII (Breach of Implied Warranty)
		Count VIII (Civil Conspiracy)
		Count IX (Fraudulent Concealment)
		Count X (Wrongful Death)
		Count XI (Survival Action)
	\boxtimes	Count XII (Loss of Consortium)
	\boxtimes	Count XIII (Punitive Damages under All Claims)

☐ Count XIV (Declaratory Relief: Punitive Damages)

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff (and, if applicable Plaintiff's Spouse) pray for judgment as follows:

- A. An award of compensatory damages, the amount of which will be determined at trial;
- B. An award of economic damages in the form of medical expenses, out of pocket expenses, lost earnings and other economic damages in an amount to be determined at trial;
- C. For punitive and exemplary damages as applicable;
- D. For all applicable statutory damages of the state whose laws will govern this action;
- E. For loss of consortium as applicable;
- F. For declaratory relief as applicable;
- G. For an award of attorneys' fees and costs;
- H. An award of prejudgment interest and costs of suit; and
- I. An award of such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

JURY TRIAL DEMAND

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Plaintiffs hereby demand a trial by jury on all issues so triable.

Dated: 11/30/2017 Respectfully submitted,

By: ___/s/ Ron A Cohen_____

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